Orders, rules, etc.

Special fund.

Designated authority, etc., of Board not impaired.


Sec. 5. The Board is hereby authorized to promulgate such orders, rules, and regulations as in its judgment are necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this joint resolution. All powers and remedies including legal processes available to the Board under the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 for the administration of said Act shall be similarly available to the Board for the carrying out of this joint resolution.

Sec. 6. In order to carry out the purposes of this joint resolution, there shall be set aside on July 1, 1940, in a special fund $9,000,000 of the amount appropriated to the Railroad Retirement Account by the Railroad Retirement Board Appropriation Act, 1941, such fund to remain available until June 30, 1943, for expenditure in accordance with the provisions of section 2 of this joint resolution. Any unobligated balance on June 30, 1943, in the special fund hereby established shall revert to the Railroad Retirement Account.

Sec. 7. No provision of this joint resolution shall be construed in any manner to limit or impair any authority, power, or discretion conferred upon or vested in the Board by the Railroad Retirement Act of 1935, the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, or the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

[CHAPTER 798] JOINT RESOLUTION

To exempt from the tax on admissions amounts paid for admission tickets sold by authority of the Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies on the occasion of the inauguration of the President-elect in January 1941.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all amounts paid for admission tickets sold by authority of the Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies on the occasion of the inauguration of the President-elect in January 1941, said committee to be appointed with the approval of the President-elect, shall be exempt from the tax on admissions imposed by section 1700 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, all the net proceeds from the sale of said tickets to be donated by the said committee to charity.

Approved, October 9, 1940.

[CHAPTER 836] AN ACT

To authorize the President to requisition certain articles and materials for the use of the United States, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever the President determines that it is necessary in the interest of national defense to requisition and take over for the use or operation by the United States or in its interest any military or naval equipment or munitions, or component parts thereof, or machinery, tools, or materials, or supplies necessary for the manufacture, servicing, or operation thereof, ordered, manufactured, procured, or possessed for export purposes, the exportation of which has been denied in accordance with the provisions of section 6 of the Act approved July 2, 1940 (Public, Numbered 703, Seventy-sixth Congress), he is hereby authorized and empowered to requisition and take over for the said use or operation by the United States, or in its interest, any of the foregoing articles or materials, and to sell or otherwise dispose of any such articles or
materials, or any portion thereof, to a person or a corporation of the United States whenever he shall determine such action to be in the public interest. Any moneys received by the United States as the proceeds of any such sale or other disposition of any such articles or materials or any portion thereof shall be deposited to the credit of that appropriation out of which was paid the cost to the Government of the property thus sold or disposed of, and the same shall immediately become available for the purposes named in the original appropriation: Provided, however, That nothing in this section shall modify or repeal section 14 of Public Law Numbered 671, 76th Congress, approved June 28, 1940.

SEC. 2. Whenever the President shall requisition and take over any article or material pursuant to the provisions of this Act, the owner thereof shall be paid as compensation therefor such sum as the President shall determine to be fair and just. If any such owner is unwilling to accept, as full and complete compensation for such article or material, the sum so determined by the President, such owner shall be paid 50 per centum of the sum so determined by the President and shall be entitled to sue the United States for such additional sum as, when added to the sum already received by such owner, such owner may consider fair and just compensation for such article or material, in the manner provided by sections 41 (20) and 250, title 28, of the Code of Laws of the United States of America: Provided, That recovery shall be confined to the fair market value of such article or material, without any allowance for prospective profits, punitive or other damages.

SEC. 3. The authority granted in this Act shall terminate June 30, 1942, unless the Congress shall otherwise provide.

Approved, October 10, 1940.

[CHAPTER 837]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws", approved June 26, 1930. [Public. No. 830]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act entitled "An Act to provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws", approved June 26, 1930 (U. S. C., 1934 edition, title 19, sec. 68), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"That to aid in the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws along the Canadian and Mexican borders and to provide better facilities for such enforcement at points along such borders at which no Federal or other buildings adapted or suitably located for the purpose are available, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General are hereby authorized to expend, from the funds appropriated for the general maintenance and operation of the Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Services, respectively, the necessary amounts for the acquisition of land and the erection of buildings, sheds, and office quarters, including living quarters for officers where none are otherwise available: Provided, That the total amount which may be so expended for any one project, for the use of one department, including the cost of the site, shall not exceed $5,000, and that where quarters are so erected or facilities so provided for the joint use of the Customs and the Immigration and Naturalization Services the combined cost charged to the two appropriations concerned shall not exceed $10,000 for any one project, including the site.